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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Mario Meggiolan

**Application No.:** 10/073,411

**Confirmation No.:** 3978

**Filed:** February 13, 2002

**For:** METHOD FOR PRODUCING A  
BICYCLE WHEEL RIM, APPARATUS  
FOR IMPLEMENTING THE METHOD  
AND BICYCLE WHEEL RIM  
OBTAINED THEREBY

**Group:** 1732

**Examiner:** Staicovici, Stephan

**Our File:** CAM3-PT041

**Date:** August 20, 2003

**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Reply is responsive to the Office Action dated June 25, 2003 (Paper No. 7). A petition for an extension of time is respectfully submitted herewith which makes this application timely.

**REMARKS**

In the Action, claims 1-53 were made subject to a restriction requirement. Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement. However, in order to advance prosecution of the Application, Applicant elects Invention I, corresponding to claims 1-33 and 45-50, for examination on the merits.